

Substitute Bill No. 1110

January Session, 2019



## AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO RECORDS BY PERSONS WHO ARE INJURED WHILE IN THE CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2019) An inmate, his or her 2 legal representative or the legal representative of the estate of an 3 inmate, who provides a written request for documents to the 4 Commissioner of Correction in connection with a fatal injury suffered 5 by the inmate while incarcerated or an injury that resulted in the 6 inmate suffering a permanent disability while incarcerated, may receive all personnel, protocol or policy reviews, medical files, medical 8 reviews, corrective action plans or summary reports in the possession 9 of the Department of Correction that are relevant to such request. The 10 Commissioner of Correction shall ensure that such documentary 11 materials are provided to the inmate, his or her legal representative or 12 the legal representative of the estate of an inmate not later than sixty 13 days after the date of receipt of the written request, unless the 14 disclosure of the documentary materials is otherwise prohibited by 15 state or federal law. The Commissioner of Correction shall adopt 16 regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the 17 general statutes to implement the provisions of this section. Such 18 regulations shall include (1) a process for resolving any dispute 19 concerning the production of documentary materials by the

- 20 Department of Correction under this section, and (2) a delineation of
- 21 the fees, if any, that the Department of Correction may impose when
- 22 complying with a request for documentary materials under this
- 23 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2019	New section

JUD Joint Favorable Subst.